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For: *Computer Based System and Method for* §  
*Facilitating Commerce Between Shippers* §  
*and Carriers* §

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Respectfully submitted,

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